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**PATENT
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Re.: Patent Application of Peter James Watts :
Conf. No.: 1775 :
Appln. No.: 09/269,903 :
Filed: May 6, 1999 :
Title: COLONIC DELIVERY OF WEAK ACID DRUGS :
: Group Art Unit: 1616
: Examiner: Frank Choi
: Attorney Docket
: No. 10774-40US
: (WESZ/P17769US)

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**AFTER FINAL REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

This is a request under 37 CFR 1.114 for continued examination (RCE) of the above identified application in response to the Office Action mailed August 24, 2001 (Paper No. 17). The RCE is timely filed in view of the Notice of Appeal received by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on February 19, 2002, and the Petition for Extension of Time (one-month) submitted herewith. Enclosed are the following in support of the RCE under 37 C.F.R. 1.114:

- ☐ Enter the unentered Amendment previously filed on ___ under 37 CFR 1.116 in the above application.
- ☒ An Amendment.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A and cited references.
- ☐ New formal drawings.
- ☐ A Petition for Extension of Time to ___ for the pending application.
- ☐ Other:

The following fees are enclosed:

- ☒ RCE fee of \$740.00 required under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(e).
- ☐ Extension of time fee in the amount of \$____.00

☐ Additional claim fees of ____ for excess claims submitted in the enclosed Amendment, calculated as follows:

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					TOTAL		TOTAL	

☒ Firm check(s) totalling \$ 740.00 is/are enclosed herewith.

☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and/or credit Deposit Account No. 50-1017 (Billing No. 210774.0040) as noted below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

☒ Any overpayments or deficiencies in the above-calculated fee(s).

☐ RCE fee in the amount of \$ ____ .00.

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☒ Any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17.

☒ In the event that a Petition for Extension of Time is required, but not enclosed, please charge any extension fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to our Deposit Account noted above.

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